

**LSTA Grant Awards**  
**Long Term Programs Spring Round 2006 Grants Awarded**  
**Totaling \$473,527**  
**Grant period - July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007**

**Cooperation Grants**

**Washington University, Bernard Becker Library – \$14,950**

The program provides a forum for ethnically and racially diverse high school students of St. Louis Public Schools to learn about the human anatomy both in a lecture and laboratory environment while interacting with Washington University medical students. The program will work with the students to help them develop research skills, write a paper about a scientific and/or medical topic that they learn about during this program, and present the research during a luncheon held on the last day of the session.

**Polk County Library - \$4,200**

Annie's Project for Polk County is a cooperative project between the library and the local University of MO Extension Office, to provide an educational opportunity to rural farming residents in the county. The project is directed at women on the farm as an often overlooked and underserved resource in the agricultural enterprise.

**MOBIUS Consortium - \$42,500**

This project involves identification and analysis of commonly and uniquely held titles in collections of public and academic libraries statewide. It allows libraries across the state to collaborate on matters of collection development and management while planning for the future.

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**GED Online Study Groups**

**St. Louis Public Library - \$22,500**

The project will allow the Library to continue the current GED Online Study Group program at two computer classroom facilities located in two different regions of the city. The third location offers wireless access using laptop computers at the centrally located Schlafly Branch. This project is cooperating with the GED Online Program of the Rockwood School district, Community Education of the Adult Basic Education and Literacy (AEL) Department of the St. Louis Public Schools (DESE) for this project.

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**GED Connections/Workplace Essentials**

**St. Louis Public Library - \$30,000**

The study groups will be held six times per week at four branches. Throughout the grant period each branch will host a 40 week session. Facilitated discussion and assistance with workbook exercises will be included.

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## **Training and Professional Development**

### **Gentry County Public Library - \$8,283**

This training consists of three workshops targeted for librarians and support staff who work in public, school, college, or special libraries. The workshops will teach the participants to create a disaster plan for the library in response to an emergency, how to rebuild what has been damaged, and how to teach patrons to be ready in the event of a disaster. It is an extraordinary opportunity for the libraries in that area. There are similar resources for this type of training in Missouri, but it seems this library would benefit from this type of intensive instruction on the three suggested topics.

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## **Website Makeover Grant**

### **Barton County - \$4,379**

Recommended for full funding, the application clearly presents what is needed, well researched, and is good plan for makeover.

### **Keller Public Library - \$2,017**

Recommend for full funding, well researched, good plan.

### **Neosho/Newton County - \$2,850**

Recommend full funding, good needs analysis, and good outline for improvement of website.

### **Sedalia Public Library - \$8,265**

Recommend full funding, current website ‘really needs a makeover’, good plan, well researched, higher cost reflects scope of work required.

### **Riverside Regional Library - \$2,790**

Recommend full funding, good plan – “Love the way the program narrative shows exactly how the website changes will help support the library’s goals and mission statement.”

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## **Technology Ladder Grants**

### **Albany-Carnegie Public Library - \$2,982**

The grant will upgrade the library’s wireless network to meet security standards.

### **Morgan County Public Library - \$1,650**

The library will purchase a server to install a wireless network for use by the public in the library.

### **Trails Regional Library - \$6,113**

The library will purchase and install firewalls at each of 8 branches, to replace a service they currently lease.

**Livingston County Public Library - \$5,069**

The library will upgrade the wireless network to meet security standards; also upgrade the library's network to a more secure server environment.

**Polk County Public Library - \$2,430**

The library will provide a wireless connection for patron access throughout the library.

**Ray County Public Library - \$5,128**

The library will replace a very old server and 5 outdated PCs, plus add 1 PC for the Children's Librarian

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**Library Technology Automation Enhancement Grants****Missouri River Regional Library - \$11,068.00**

Library will install a self-checkout station. This grant assumes a 50% match for the local library.

**Oregon County Public Library - \$33,052**

Second phase of automation project. This phase will bring library catalog from paper stage to an updated machine readable database that will be patron and staff friendly.

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**Retrospective Conversion****UMSL, Mercantile Library - \$56,542**

The "Bureau of Railway Economics Collection" project will catalog and make accessible to patrons worldwide one of the most comprehensive railroad collections ever assembled. This collection is the most complete archive of railroad annual reports in existence; the collection is comprised of railroad association proceedings, travel guides, technical reports, maps, legal documents, and other material reflecting the growth of railroads and their transformative influence on American life and culture.

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**Digital Imaging Grants****Lincoln University – Inman E. Page Library - \$18,041**

"52 Steps: The Journey of Lincoln University" This project will digitize the first 25 of 58 volumes of the Lincoln University yearbook, Archives. These volumes cover the years 1915 – 1959. This collection uniquely presents the evolutionary epic of African Americans in higher education, specifically in Missouri. In addition to historical and administrative information about Lincoln University, this collection discloses the traditions, fashions & styles, major events and architecture of the 20<sup>th</sup> century through the medium of text and images. The content touches on a variety of topics such as: the effects of Jim Crow laws, home-front efforts during World War II, reactions to Vietnam, opinions about abortion and the social movements for various eras. This series is absolutely indispensable for historians and requests for it comprise 23.5% of all archival research requests at the Page Library.

**Missouri State University - \$87,900**

**“Shannon County Film Digitization Project/Phase II”** Recommended at the end of the Phase I grant deadline. Phase II will digitize a small portion of material from the Shannon County Documentary Films Collection.

**University of MO-St. Louis / St. Louis Mercantile Library - \$52,703**

**“Integrating the STL Mechanics Lien Papers”** Seeks support to continue its partnership with Virtual City Project to include in the digital urban archives the Mechanics Lien papers currently being processed as part of the Missouri State Archives’ St. Louis Circuit Court Records Project.

**University of Missouri-Columbia - \$16,208**

**“Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps”** digitization of 6,280 of the maps produced before 1923. This proposal will digitize an extensive collection of Sanborn Fire Insurance maps. These maps were produced for over a hundred years and include 660,000 maps charting the growth of over 12,000 cities in the United States. These maps are large scale plans of a city or town drawn at a scale of 50 feet to one inch. They were created to assist fire insurance companies in assessing the risk of insuring a particular property. The University of Missouri – Columbia’s Ellis Library Special Collections Department has 6,488 of the Sanborn maps for Missouri cities from 1880 to 1922. Only maps created prior to 1923 will be digitized.

**Missouri Botanical Garden - \$17,351**

**“Mainstreaming Digital Imaging: Phase II”** which will build upon Phase I. The purpose of the project is to create a mobile imaging workstation for use in completion of the grant while at the same time address new formats such as images taken from digital camera in the field which may not necessarily ever be reproduced in a physical tangible format.

**Washington University - \$14,556**

**“Medical Immigrants to Missouri”** – This project will digitize several extraordinary archival collections pertaining to physicians and medical scientists who immigrated to Missouri from foreign countries in the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries. The project calls for digitizing, cataloging and indexing materials in a variety of formats, including photographs, text documents, oral histories and memorabilia from the collections of physicians and scientists such as Gustav Baumgarten, Leo Loeb, Carl F. and Gerty T. Cori, Valentina Sunzeff, and Michel Ter-Pogossian. The project will provide scholars, students and the general public with information that is keyed to medical and scientific topics, to foreign countries and regions and to political and social events that stretch over a century and a half.

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